

# AMATEURISM BE DEFINED BY ATHLETIC HEADS

Leaders in All Branches  
of Sport Will Help to  
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## WEEK WILL BRING MANY CONFERENCES

While "Simon Pure" Is Being  
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One of the first real steps in an endeavor to evolve order from chaos in the rules governing the eligibility of athletes to take part in amateur competition will be taken to-morrow afternoon, when the representatives of sixteen controlling organizations in amateur sport will meet at the Hotel Astor.

The conference is the outgrowth of a resolution of the Intercollegiate Association of Amateur Athletes of America calling for a redefining of the rules of amateur athletics with the purpose of defining more distinctly the line between amateurism and professionalism.

This meeting, although wholly separate from the proceedings of the National Collegiate Athletic Association, will, in fact, be the forerunner of the annual convention of that body, which is to be held at the Hotel Astor on Tuesday, and it is likely that the problems that will be discussed at the amateur conference to-morrow will come up, in so far as they affect college athletics, at the college conference.

Following these meetings the delegates to the amateur conference will again get together either on Thursday or Friday and go over carefully all suggestions that have been made. At this meeting a definite codification of the laws of amateur athletics will probably take shape.

The fifteen organizations which have responded to the invitation of the I. A. A. A. to meet in conference and discuss amateur problems are the controlling bodies in lawn tennis, golf, fencing, croquet, rowing, skating, roller skating, billiards, playhouse, and other games. Intercollegiate basketball, soccer, football, and the A. A. U. of the A. U. of Canada, the National Collegiate Athletic Association, the Amateur Athletic Union, the Amateur Athletic Union of America, the Amateur Athletic Union of Canada, and the Amateur Athletic Union of the United States, except, of course, the Western college conferences, but these are all listed under the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

Suggested rules have been drawn up by the I. A. A. A. These define an amateur to be one who engages in sport for the pleasure and physical benefits he derives therefrom, and who regards sport as an avocation. There are five ways whereby the amateur may be disqualified. These, in broad terms, are: (1) by accepting money for competing; (2) by coaching for money; (3) by accepting money for coaching; (4) by accepting money for coaching; (5) by accepting money for coaching.

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## Woman Swimming Star of Coast



Miss Frances Cowells, winner of every swimming event for women at Exposition water carnival last July, who is now going to Honolulu, seeking new fields to conquer.

## Miss Galligan All Alone as Water Sprite

Nineteen-Year-Old Star Is Supreme Among Girl Swimmers.

The victory of Miss Claire Galligan, of the National Women's Lifesaving League, a week ago, over Miss Olga Dorfner, of the Philadelphia Turngemeinde, makes the local girl the logical favorite for supreme all-around honors in swimming for women. Not only has Miss Dorfner been recognized for a couple of seasons as the speediest swimmer in America, but in the recent event her successful rival covered the furlong in 3 minutes 41.5 seconds, the best time ever made at the distance in this country.

Considering, then, that Miss Galligan is at the very outset of a competitive career, having won her first race less than six months ago, and that she is comparatively faster from the quarter to the mile, than at 220 yards, the belief seems fully warranted that most of the championship titles and records will be hers at her mercy.

Local fans have watched with increasing delight the amazingly rapid development of this remarkable nineteen-year-old girl, for she is a general favorite. Her splendid sportsmanship has completely won the public to her. Fair always, and ever ready to make concessions, she has proved as generous and modest a winner, as a good loser before success came to her.

The carnival of water sports to be held during February in Honolulu, under the direction of the Hawaiian Amateur Athletic Union Association, promises to be the leading feature of the winter season. Whether the national authorities see fit or not to hold a championship in connection with the meet should furnish stirring competition between world leaders and record breaking performances. All doubt of the ability of Lady Langer, the great Los Angeles all-around title holder, to make the trip have been set at rest by the young Californian herself, who writes that she has made all arrangements to leave. She also states that she is improving at the rate of a mile a day, and is looking forward to the meet with keen interest.

Miss Cowells is the girl who won all the exhibition championship events for women last year. She is a new star from Portland, Ore., heralded as a second Kahanamoku. He recently covered 100 yards in 55 seconds and 220 yards in 2 minutes 26.5 seconds, and he is improving at the rate of a mile a day, and is looking forward to the meet with keen interest.

Herbert Vollmer, of Columbia and the New York Athletic Club, was recently given a trial over a 150-yard course in the 75-foot Mercury Foot pool, and touched out in 1 minute 32 seconds—three-fifths of a second under C. M. Daniela's world record. He will be given a chance to attack the mark under official timing in the near future.

A number of well-known New York water men and mermaids will usher in 1916 in a novel way. They have arranged to enter the Brighton Beach Bath. Some will be satisfied with a dive into the comfortable winter pool, but the majority intend to be ready at the stroke of twelve to bid for the prize offered by the management for the first bather of 1916.

Matthew Mann, the noted coach of swimming, has been retained by the New York Athletic Club to handle its aquatic teams and will take up his new duties on January 2. Encouraging developments may therefore be looked for. Mann is not only one of the best swimming authorities in the United States, but is also well up in soccer water polo, a game he played for ten years on some of New England's leading teams. The Mercury Foot pool material is first class, and it would not be surprising to see Mann turn out as a champion swimmer.

The People's Palace, of Jersey City, plans to hold an open meet for women swimmers in January. The committee in charge has applied for permission to hold one of the metropolitan championship meets of the principal features, and awaits a reply from the Amateur Athletic Union to set the date. If sanction is not granted an attempt will be made to book Miss Galligan and Miss Dorfner for a match race as the chief attraction.

The Illinois Athletic Club, of Chicago, has adopted an ambitious program for its opening meet of 1916, on January 6. Six events are on the

## WILLIAMS LEADS OVER THE JUMPS

Rode Twenty-eight Winners During Season in the East.

Fred Williams is head of the list of steeplechase jockeys for the last season, according to statistics compiled from past performances on the Eastern tracks.

He had twenty-eight winning mounts in seventy-seven starts, was second eighteen times, third sixteen times and was unplaced in fifteen races. His mounts won the tidy sum of \$20,965 in purses. Williams stood head and shoulders above the rest of the riders through the season, and the first named was second eleven times, third once and out of the money twenty-one times. The Irish boy made the place fifteen times, was third seven times and unplaced only six times.

These were the leaders in another year, so far as boys are concerned. Appreciating the popularity of steeplechasing with the people of Virginia and Maryland, the District of Columbia, it is the intention of the management to build at Bowie the best steeplechase course in America. And the association has the land on which an unusually good one may be constructed. It owns many acres round about the track, and much of this land is the very best sort of hunting country. It will not be necessary, therefore, to keep the jumpers in races of two miles and further within the narrow confines of mile courses.

Creating a steeplechase course this winter will be impossible. It cannot be done, in fact, until a good sod has been obtained in the infield, and Strahan, the superintendent, will devote his energies next season to the development of a sod. He hopes to have one by next fall, and if he is successful, the old steeplechase specialists of the Washington Jockey Club will be revived, and a new stake for three-year-old fencers, designed to bring the winner of the Harbor Hill, at Piping Rock, and the victors in the three-year-old special of the Pimlico meeting together under conditions that will decide the three-year-old championship will be established.

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## TURKEYS GO TO WINNING GUNNERS

Eighteen Men Out for Shoot at Port Washington Yacht Club.

Eighteen gunners faced the traps of the Port Washington Yacht Club yesterday in a special Christmas Day 100 "bird" handicap shoot, with turkeys as prizes for the winner of each string of 25.

The conditions, with a strong southerly wind blowing across the firing line, were none too favorable, but despite this many good scores were returned. The winner of the high scratch prize was W. M. Collins, of the first and second string prizes, K. S. Cornwell, and Charles E. Hyde, respectively. Turkeys were won by Fred Long, H. P. L. Funke, Dr. Deane and Dr. L. A. Newman.

The regular weekly programme was included in this shoot. Charles E. Hyde, Dr. L. A. Newman and Dr. H. T. Deane tied for both the weekly and the monthly cups. They and E. S. Cornwell tied for the high scratch prize, and the same men, with the addition of W. J. Walsh and H. H. Shannon, tied for the leg for the special yearly cup. These ties are to be shot off at a future date.

The scores follow:

Names	1st	2d	3d	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th	13th	14th	15th	16th	17th	18th
W. M. Collins	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25
K. S. Cornwell	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24
Charles E. Hyde	23	23	23	23	23	23	23	23	23	23	23	23	23	23	23	23	23	23
Fred Long	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22
H. P. L. Funke	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21
Dr. L. A. Newman	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20
Dr. H. T. Deane	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19
W. J. Walsh	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18
H. H. Shannon	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17
E. S. Cornwell	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16
Tracy Lane	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15
E. S. Cornwell	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	14

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Chess Masters Will Not Begin Tourney Until January 10.

Owing to the uncertainty about the time of arrival of the French liner Lafayette, which was to have sailed from Bordeaux yesterday, the managers of the Rice memorial masters' tournament have postponed the beginning of play until January 10, when the first round is scheduled to be played at the Brooklyn Chess Club. Whether the field is to be composed of eight players or more will be settled in a day or two.

The American champion, Frank J. Marshall, has decided not to enter the tournament, because the managers refused him the retainer of \$150, which sum, he said, he required to get himself out of the country. He is expected to be in New York on January 10, and he would not play unless he is in splendid form, seeing that this is to be a Rice memorial contest.

At a special meeting of the Empire City Chess Club the other day, when thirty members were present, the following nominations for officers during the ensuing year were made, with no dissenting voice: S. J. Kane, president; H. Hirsch, vice-president; E. J. Gibling, treasurer; S. T. Kemp, secretary; F. L. Hunt, F. W. Lyons, G. Freisinger, M. Demby and A. Friedenthal, directors.

Just before the adjournment of the meeting Mr. Winter took the chair and in a neat little speech reviewed the history of the club, its modest beginning and its remarkable growth under the leadership and administration of President Kemp. He proposed a vote of thanks, which was carried unanimously. A committee was also appointed to purchase a suitable souvenir to be presented to Mr. Kemp at the annual meeting on January 8. The local experts, Julius Finn and G. Koehler, were elected honorary members of the club.

Meeting their Waterloo in the seventh round of the high school chess league, the players of the Brooklyn Boys' High School sustained their first defeat at the hands of De Witt Clinton by the score of three games to one at the rooms of the Manhattan Chess Club a few nights ago. Max Wolfson, the Brooklyn captain, scored a victory over M. Zetkin, one of the finest players in the league, but lost to the other three boys, Wagner, Hartha and Tobias won for De Witt Clinton.

Boys' High is still leading in the matter of total points scored, but De Witt Clinton has the advantage in total matches won and lost. Eastern District tied with Commercial at 2 to 2, and the same score was made between Stuyvesant and Curtis.

Upon his return from Chicago José R. Capablanca stopped off at Princeton and played simultaneous chess against twenty-five of the students. The Cuban champion allowed only one draw.

Boris Kostic, the Serbian chess master, played eight of the Columbia University Chess Club members the day before the intercollegiate tournament, making a score of seven wins and one loss, to A. J. Mandell. The other boards were manned by E. Korolkoff, J. M. Biard, N. W. Kempf, A. R. Mengel and W. Lempeke.

The seventeenth annual tournament will begin at the Progressive Chess Club to-morrow morning, when Cornell will oppose the University of Pennsylvania. Brown, the third place winner of the last year's tournament, will not send a team this year, and as both Cornell and Pennsylvania refused to admit the City College of New York as a substitute, the tournament will be a contest between Cornell and Pennsylvania to engage in matches with Columbia and other collegiate institutes during the rest of the week.

Following is the score of a highly interesting game played by correspondence between the chess clubs of Utrecht and Gouda